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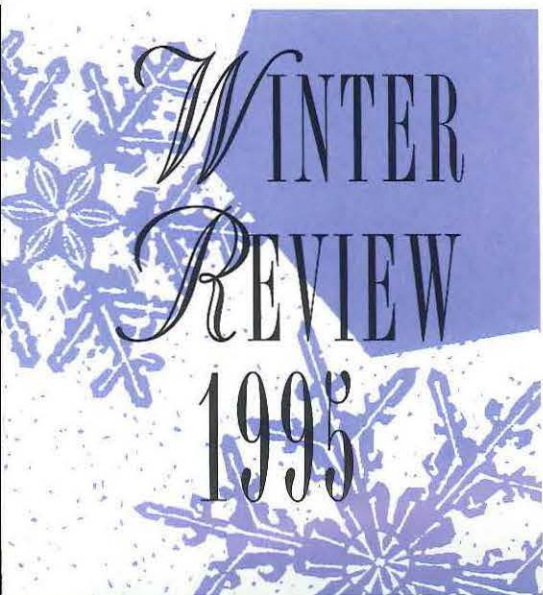
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Vive La Lisxs Elisabeth...

The name's literal translation is "God-has-sworn-[a-covenant];" a Hebrew transcription which refers to the oath or covenant which God swore to Abraham (Genesis 17). With such a noble moniker, made all that more chic with the French's substitution of the "s" for the "z" in Elizabeth, how could the bearer of such a fine name not deserve mention in the greatest story ever told!



PBCC's New Vocational Building To Be Completed In February 1996

PBCC President Edward M. Eissey and District Board of Trustees Chair Homer J. Hand presided at the ceremonial ground breaking of the new Vocational Technical Building. The festivities took place at the site of the proposed structure, west of the College's data processing center.

"The Vocational Technical Building will provide state-of-the-art facilities for PBCC's wide array of training programs which are essential to the economic development of the local community," said Eissey.

The Vocational Technical Building is designed to house a variety of vocational programs including interior design, graphic design, drafting and design, land surveying, building construction technology, computer information services, office systems technology and the Center for Personalized Instruction (CPI)/academic-support labs.

Building contractor for the nearly \$7,000,000 facility is James E. Cummings, Inc. of Fort Lauderdale, and Borrelli Associates of Miami is providing the architectural services. The entire project is expected to take approximately 15 months, and it is slated for completion in February of 1996.

But, then, the name is royal, both in Britain and in France. Yet, while the British embrace the conventional "z" spelling of Elizabeth...God save the Queen and all that...it was the French who really introduced Elisabeth to the mainstream when the French princess and sister of Louis XVI, more readily known as Madame Elisabeth de France, or if multiple monikers are your bag...Elisabeth Philippine Marie Helene...was so christened.

Alas, poor Princess Lis could not keep her wits about her when things got frenzied around Versailles. Actually, she lost more than her wits...she lost her head...both literally and figuratively... when she met up with one French tradition that she, no doubt, wished had not been passed down...the guillotine. As the French would say...C'est la vie!

The name Elisabeth has appeared prominently throughout literature, the cinema, politics and as mentioned previously, royal circles. Certainly, the most famous American Lis, albeit spelled Liz, is the violet-eyed screen diva often considered to

be the most beautiful woman in the world, Elizabeth Taylor. (Considering her parents resided in England when she was born, we know where that "z" came from).

While Taylor, the many, many times wed Oscar-winning actress (*Butterfield 8* and *Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf*) turned perfume entrepreneur extraordinaire (*Passion* and *White Diamonds*) and AIDS activist, claims an English birth place (London), Palm Beach Community College's own planning and information systems diva Elisabeth Erling boasts a more down-home upbringing...she simply says that she hails from Nebraska, Elisabeth W. Erling...many would argue that her definitely blue eyes may well give that other Liz's a run for her money in the dazzling gaze category. And certainly, she's a hands-down winner when it comes to being a true athlete. While Taylor could only pretend to be a champion equestrienne in *National Velvet*, Erling was winning accolades for being named the first female collegiate athletic director in the State of Florida.

Vive La Lis

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No movie magic here. Just plain hard work and determination.

Recognition for a job well-done. But Lis Erling has never been a stranger to hard work or hard luck. Since she grew up in the Midwest, Erling's sense of family values, responsibility and work ethic were instilled at an early age.

Erling was always at her first husband's side (Wayne Smith, a Navy top gun stationed in Hawaii) until his death during a training accident in 1950. Realizing that she was now the sole means of support for herself and her small son, Lis completed her master of arts degree in education with an emphasis in health and physical education at the University of Wyoming. She had received her bachelor of science degree in education from the University of Nebraska at Kearney and would later complete her education doctorate in administration and supervision at Nova University in Fort Lauderdale. After earning her master's degree and completing some post-graduate work at Indiana University, Erling accepted a teaching position at Valdosta State College in Valdosta, Georgia.

Forever attracted to a man in uniform, Lis met her future husband Tom, or as she calls him, T.J. (an Air Force sergeant) at the local Elks Club. She smiles when recalling the story, her eyes sparkling wickedly. "I was on a date with an Air Force colonel. Tom was out of uniform and just cut in on us. The colonel never knew Tom was a subordinate. We laugh about it to this day." Erling remained at Valdosta State for three years until finally deciding to move to Florida. "When you're in the Navy, you end up stationed all over the country. I'd visited Florida years earlier and thought then that if I was ever to relocate someplace permanently...it would be in Florida. I loved the ocean and the climate."

It was time to put down roots, so she and Russel (her son Russel Smith is now married. He and his wife Cheryl, a native Floridian, have two children, a boy and a girl, Russel Jr. and Tracy, and reside in Coral Springs. According to grandmother Lis, the Smith menagerie also boasts two dogs and two cats) picked up stakes and moved south. This was in 1955. Lis would marry T.J. four years later in 1959. "It seemed that whenever he was in the mood to marry me, I wasn't interested and vice versa. We finally both got the same mind set and were married promptly thereafter." Erling's first teaching assignment was in Dade County where she taught school

for one year before accepting an instructional position in 1956 at then Palm Beach Junior College.

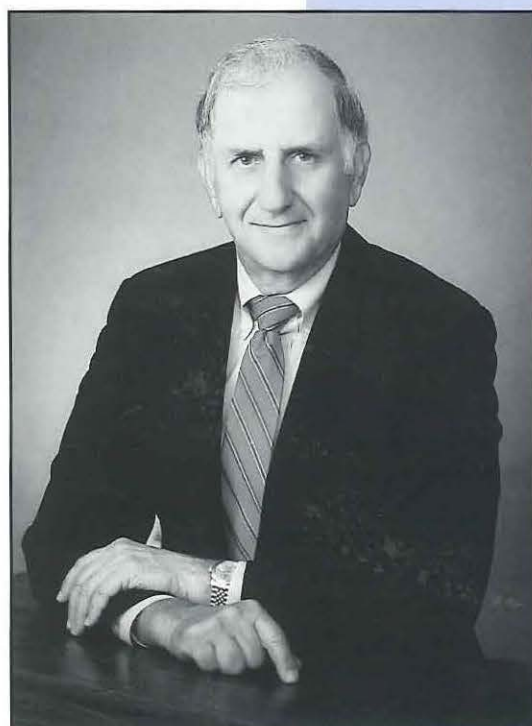
Teaching physical education, health, anatomy and physiology, Erling joined the promotional fast track and became the chairman of the home economics, health and physical education department in 1958. Her next promotion in 1964 to athletic director caused bigger waves than she'd ever seen while living in Hawaii.

Now that the history lesson's complete, let's get back to the athletic director's position that would rock the state media more than it would Erling's fellow A.D.s.

It was perceived by certain sectors of the press and the public that the bastions of the good ol' boy network were being toppled by a female. What was worse, she was a highly qualified female who was suddenly (and accidentally) caught up in the forefront of the women's movement which was just beginning to gain ground and political muscle in America. "I guess you could say I was before my time. I won't say I was treated like one of the fellows," Erling says, "but I wasn't isolated. Some of those in the press were the ones who were more critical of my appointment."

The brouhaha surrounding Erling's appointment as athletic director was short-lived, and while she set about doing her job, it soon became old hat, and all the furor dissipated just as quickly as a South Florida sun shower. And, in typical fashion after such a cloud burst, there was a rainbow. Erling would maintain not only her position as chairman of the home economics, health and physical education department (later renamed health, physical education and recreation), but she would also serve as athletic director until 1969.

Erling's exemplary performance as both department chair and athletic director earned her another promotion in 1974 when she was named assistant dean of academic affairs and coordinator of education



Edward M. Eisey, Ph.D.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

On July 31, 1995, Palm Beach Community College will lose one of its greatest personal treasures when PBCC Vice President of Planning and Information Systems Elisabeth W. Erling retires after nearly 40 years of service. To say that she will be missed, that she is indispensable, irreplaceable, seems almost trite to those of us who know her. She is the embodiment of everything that is good at PBCC. She is our First Lady of Education, and no one knows this more than I.

As PBCC President, I have had the honor of knowing and working with Lis Erling for nearly 25 years. I first met her in 1957 when I was principal of Greenacres School. She was impressive at our first meeting, and as the years went on, and we worked side by side at the College, she was no less than dazzling. Dazzling in her dedication, her concern, her love for the academic community and the students.

Personally, I have never known anyone to work harder -- and accomplish more -- than Lis Erling. No task was too daunting, no challenge too overpowering. She did it all, and she did all things extremely well. Over the years, she has given me unconditional support and cooperation, and her encouragement and wisdom have been a constant source of strength. Indeed, a large part of PBCC's greatness has been rooted for more than 60 years in the men and women who have formed its human foundation. From the beginning, PBCC was destined for greatness, but Lis Erling helped us become even greater. In one final salute, PBCC will recognize her four decades of service when the Central Campus gymnasium is named in her honor on April 26.

No one person or institution can ever repay an individual who has given so much. Words lose their luster in an attempt to pay simple tribute. This Grande Dame of PBCC will never entirely leave us. Her presence is too magnanimous, her contributions too overwhelming. Officially, Lis will close the door to her office and turn off the lights for the last time at the end of July. Unofficially, her radiance will never leave us. This, indeed, is the legacy of Lis Erling.

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L-R: PBCC President Edward M. Eisey, Vice President of Planning and Information Systems Elisabeth W. Erling and Vice President of Administration and Business Affairs G. Tony Tate.

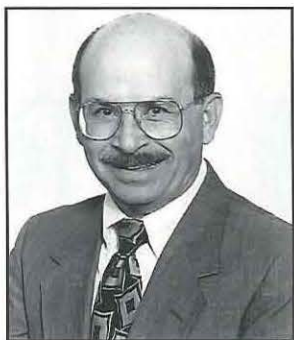
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COSTANTINO COLUMBO

South Campus Professor of Science **COSTANTINO "CHRIS" COLUMBO** is a long way from his native land in Pozzallo, Sicily. Columbo came to the United States when he was 10- years old and was raised and educated in New York City. He graduated with a bachelor's degree from St. John's University in psychology and a master's and Ph.D. in physiology from New York University. Columbo began teaching at Palm Beach Community College's South Campus in 1982.

Columbo uses a humanistic approach to connect with his students. His door is always open, and there is a pot of coffee continuously brewing for anyone who wants it. In the classroom, Columbo is not afraid to use his own personal experiences to make the students feel at ease, thus allowing for better understanding and learning. Honesty and humor play an important role in his teaching technique. Columbo tries to break any barriers between himself and his students; he has the ability to reach the level of his students and then return to his professional demeanor. There were three professors who came into Columbo's life and greatly inspired him. George Cevasco of St John's was his English teacher/confidant and taught him to never take things at face value. Albert S. Gordon, NYU professor of endocrine physiology, took Columbo under his wing and was a mentor to him. According to Columbo, Mylan Koopac, biology/chemistry professor at NYU, was brilliant, with a great sense of humor and yet a little off the wall. Columbo integrated the qualities of these three role models and incorporated them into his teaching philosophy.

A significant part of Columbo's time away from South Campus is spent volunteering in the community. He volunteers at local elementary and high schools to guest lecture and participates in career days. Time is not the only thing Columbo donates; he bestows texts he can no longer use to a local library.

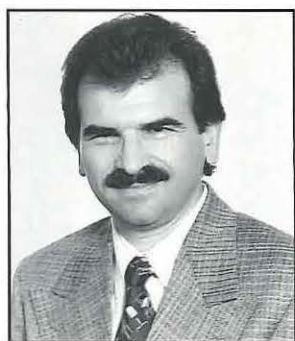
Columbo believes that as a professor, it is his responsibility to teach the students to be sensitive to their abilities and strengths and to become responsible human beings. "I believe if you demand a lot, you get a lot," he said. One of the most rewarding parts of teaching for Columbo is when a student comes back two or three years later to thank him.

BARRY RUSSAL

Eissey Campus Professor of Communications **BARRY RUSSAL** started teaching communications at the Glades Campus in 1979 and then moved to the Eissey Campus in 1983. As an undergraduate student at the City College of New York, Russal began his studies as an engineering major. He quickly learned of his love for writing and switched to an English major. Early on in his career, Russal came to the realization that he could either be a college professor or have a career in writing. Fortunately, Russal has been able to achieve both. He continued his education and graduated with a master of arts degree from the University of Wisconsin and a Ph.D. from Kent State.

Russal looks forward to going to work everyday because there are many things which inspire him. An example is seeing a student grasp a new concept or master a skill and knowing that he is part of that special moment. This immediate gratification motivates him (like seeing your child take its first steps). Witnessing his students graduate is another monumental award for him. Russal finds great satisfaction being in the same proximity of people who are learning and growing, intellectually and emotionally. "It is stimulating to be in the same energized, creative atmosphere," he said.

For the past eight years, Russal has worn the director's hat for the joint production of Northstage, PBCC's Eissey Campus Theatre group, and Spotlight Players. This successful partnership with the College and community has been very exciting for Russal. He most recently worked on a comedy, *Bedroom Farce*, which opened March 17. But this is just the tip of the iceberg for Russal's community involvement. He participates in poetry readings and workshops, belongs to a writer's group, guest lectures and presents workshops for local groups.



Russal's teaching philosophy embodies the desire to get students actively involved in their education, forge beyond the classroom and learn by doing. His goal is to have students realize how concepts work in their everyday lives and professions. In addition, assisting individuals in need is a part of Russal's responsibilities that he takes very seriously. He believes giving the extra time can make all the difference when it comes to a student's education.

SANDRA RICHMOND

What do you get when you combine Albert Einstein and Harry Houdini? If you ask Central Campus Professor of Social Science **SANDRA RICHMOND**, she would tell you her teaching philosophy. Richmond combines thorough preparation, (structured class, clear idea of concepts, an objective outline, definition of student expectations) and then lets the magic begin. What defines magic, you may ask? According to Richmond, it is the class in process, when students begin to make the connection between the material they are discussing and their individual lives. Richmond interprets her role as teacher to assist the student in discovering what the material means to them; in essence, learning is the discovery of personal meaning.

Born in Connecticut, Richmond came to Fort Lauderdale when she was seven. She graduated from Florida Atlantic University with a bachelor's in social psychology, master's in teaching sociology for community colleges and a doctorate in education, with a focus on sociology and psychology. Before coming to PBCC, Richmond worked at Broward Community College in counseling and job placement. From 1976-1982, she taught at PBCC's Belle Glade Campus and then joined the Central Campus faculty.

Central Campus is not the only recipient of Richmond's energy and contagious enthusiasm. In 1988, she was elected to the Palm Beach County School Board and re-elected in 1992. According to Richmond, this all-consuming responsibility is comparable to having another child. Yet her position on the School Board is just another example of her commitment to education.



Going to class everyday is exciting for this professor. Each student brings in his or her own personal experiences, opinions and set of morals, and every class differs. The serendipity which all this diversity brings adds fire to her already high level of energy. One never knows how the students will react to the material, and Richmond adores this.

For Richmond, being named PBCC's Central Campus Teacher of Excellence was an incredible honor. She contends there are many more teachers who deserve this award, but there is no one who is more thrilled.

PATRICK MCMAHON

Before joining the Glades Campus faculty in 1989, Senior Instructor of Business **PATRICK MCMAHON** spent 20 years in the business world as a certified public accountant. He began teaching at Glades Campus as an adjunct instructor and realized how much enjoyment he derived from it. In 1989, he joined the Glades Campus faculty full time. McMahon received his bachelor's degree from Kent State, majoring in economics and accounting and minor in physics. He earned his master of science in financial services from the American College.

This businessman's teaching philosophy is to take students from where they are and move them toward the person they

would like to become. His challenges lay in the diversity of the student--international backgrounds, diversity in ages and abilities, etc. One advantage McMahon has is that he teaches 25 percent to one-third of the required business major classes. Therefore, he has the opportunity to really get to know the students.

One of McMahon's most memorable moments came last commencement when a special student graduated. This particular student had been told his whole life he couldn't do anything, and consequentially, dropped out of high school. After a tragic accident broke his back, he took and passed his GED (General Education Diploma) and soon after, started attending classes at the Glades Campus. For McMahon, watching this student learning, growing, succeeding and finally graduating was the epitome of teaching. According to McMahon, it was like a rose bud, opening up, and then blooming into its fullest glory. The student presently tutors those who need extra help at the Glades Campus.

As a member of the Glades Campus faculty, McMahon has become extremely involved in a number of areas. He is the chairman of the Curriculum Committee, and organizes academic development days for faculty. In addition, McMahon has introduced a special Junior Achievement program in which 30 students from PBCC teach in seven elementary schools in the area. The students are responsible for teaching a 45-minute class once a week for five weeks. Classes are targeted at second and fifth graders, and cover government, business, marketing, advertising and much more. The program has been a win-win situation for all involved. It is great exposure for the PBCC Glades Campus in the public school system and the community. It is programs like this that can change lives, and just one of the reasons why Patrick McMahon has been named Glades Campus Teacher of Excellence.



TEACHERS OF EXCELLENCE



During the January board meeting, Teachers of Excellence for 1995 were presented. Pictured L-R are Patrick McMahon, Glades Campus senior instructor of business; Costantino Columbo, South Campus professor of science; Barry Russal, Eissey Campus professor of communications; Sandra Richmond, Central Campus professor of social science; and Patricia Dyer, vice president of academic affairs.

VAMOS A VIAJAR (LET'S GO TRAVEL!)

While several years ago Palm Beach Community College boasted about all of Palm Beach County being its campus, now it looks upon the world as its campus. Today's student has the opportunity to study a diversity of subjects on location at a number of foreign destinations. Palm Beach Community College has created and designed a number of outstanding study-abroad opportunities that are available to anyone eligible to enroll in the College.

According to Eisse Campus Professor Alyse Schoenfeldt, leader of the language immersion tours in Spain and Canada, "having the opportunity to stay with a family and study their language and culture is a wonderful experience and an important part of education." Students of all ages, 18-81 years old, have participated in these programs. Schoenfeldt adds that the host families are extremely accommodating if a student has a special health or dietary need. PBCC actively encourages non-college participation in these study-abroad programs.

Through its international efforts, PBCC has offered and conducted study-abroad programs in Costa Rica, the Dominican Republic, England, Jamaica, Mexico, Spain, Thailand and Venezuela. John Townsend, chairman of the International Education Committee, comments that these programs are not holiday or vacation tours for lounging on the beach. They are academically orientated courses that are conducted at locations other than the traditional setting.

If you are on fire with desire to learn Spanish or French from a native speaker; if you want to study pre-Columbian art in its country of origin; if you want to learn about the humanities of England, Thailand or other countries, then Palm Beach Community College has an offer you can't resist.

In addition, the College is a member in the College Consortium for International Studies, better known as CCIS. Through this association, students enrolled at PBCC may register in study-abroad programs in China, Colombia, Cyprus, Ecuador, England, Germany, Israel, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Mexico and many other locations worldwide. PBCC students have the opportunity to participate in the international education programs from a whole host of colleges and universities nationwide. Since classes are made up of students from many other institutions, it is not incumbent upon PBCC to enroll all the students necessary to make up a class.

The International Summer School, Cambridge, England

Since 1923, when the University of Cambridge first provided short periods of study for visitors from all around the world, its International Summer School has grown into a large and lively international community. The Summer School is designed for those who want to find out about Britain in the twentieth century, to examine the background of modern Britain and to explore its rich and diverse cultural heritage.

Over 40 special subject classes are offered on British and international politics, history, philosophy, ecology, literature, economics, music and many other subjects.

The International Summer School is open to anyone over the age of 18 who is keen to engage in a period of study at the university level. This includes students who want to broaden their knowledge, school or college teachers who want to keep in touch with recent work in their subjects and others who are pursuing study for its own sake.

The Shakespeare Summer School, Cambridge, England

The Shakespeare Summer School will contain a program of daily lectures given by distinguished figures from all fields of Shakespearean production and scholarship. Participants will, in addition, attend two daily classes on specialized topics in the study of the plays, together with their historical, literary, philosophical and political contexts.

Students in the Shakespeare Summer School may also take part in professionally directed drama workshops. Evening lectures, concerts and films are open to all, and there will be opportunities to see performances by the Royal Shakespeare Company in London and Stratford.

The College and the State Department of Education's Division of Community Colleges have defined the academic integrity of the study-abroad programs, but have left the destinations up to those who desire to participate in them. The instructors selected to lead these study-abroad programs are carefully chosen, based on their academic backgrounds and knowledge of the subjects to be taught. As with courses taught on campus, these instructors must have a minimum of 18 graduate hours in the field in which they are teaching. Taking advantage of the educational professionals on site, classes are given by university faculty, museum curators, local authorities and local tour guides.

The mission of Palm Beach Community College is to develop human resources; to serve and stimulate society by developing the student's heightened intellectual, cultural and humane sensitivities; and to prepare its students to meet the challenges of a dynamic world community. This opportunity to study abroad addresses the need to communicate in languages other than English, to understand how nations are interrelated and to explore the needs for global competence.

The International Study-Abroad programs for the 1994-1995 year are as follows:

- **THAILAND ADVENTURE: A STUDY TOUR TO THE VENICE OF THE EAST**, Bangkok, Thailand, 5/8/95 - 5/18/95
- **SPANISH IMMERSION** in Salamanca, Spain, 7/3/95 - 7/28/95
- **CAMBRIDGE SUMMER**, with Shakespeare Summer School in Cambridge, England, 7/3/95 - 7/28/95
- **THE INTERNATIONAL SUMMER SCHOOL** in Cambridge, England; Term 1: 7/10/95 - 8/4/95, Term 2: 8/6/95 - 8/19/95
- **FRENCH IMMERSION** in Jonquiere, Quebec from 7/2/95 - 7/15/95
- **CCIS STUDY-ABROAD PROGRAMS** year-round.

Jonquiere, Quebec

It has been said that to learn French, it is necessary to travel to France. PBCC has found this not to be a true statement. In the area about 100 miles north of Quebec City and west of the city of Chicoutimi, we have found a portion of Canada where English is rarely spoken.

Palm Beach Community College has contracted with the College de Jonquiere to provide intensive French language immersion programs for students. French language competencies are evaluated for each student, and they are assigned to a class where they will benefit most.

Classes are kept to a maximum of 10 students to permit as much one-on-one interaction with the instructor as possible. Languages other than French are prohibited during instructional sessions. The immersion factor is further enhanced by home stays with residents of Jonquiere. Again, only French is spoken, frequently out of necessity, but always out of policy.

The classroom activities incorporate listening and speaking skills, grammar and spelling and all other language-acquisition skills. Students spend a total of 36 hours in the classroom environment. Add to this eight hours of language laboratory and 20 hours of independent study, and each student will have over 60 contact hours of instruction.



THAILAND ADVENTURE: A STUDY TOUR TO THE VENICE OF THE EAST

The Thailand Adventure will provide an introduction to the history and culture of Thailand, a civilization which flourished some 5,600 years ago. The tour will include many historical sites and cultural centers such as Bangkok and Kanchanaburi.



During the 10-day visit, participants will be exposed to the best of Southeast Asian culture; learn about a constitutional monarchy; and develop an appreciation of the art, dance, music and theater of this ancient land. Students will earn three credits on their successful completion of the program.

Through a combination of extensive research both here and in Thailand, tour leaders/instructors have prepared an exciting educational experience. Richard Holcomb, chairman of the division of fine arts; Kathleen Asher, instructor and coordinator of the honors program; and Howard Reynolds, former PBCC instructor and now resident of Bangkok, Thailand, will be leaders/instructors of the trip.

Enrollment is limited so you are encouraged to enroll as soon as possible. For more information, call Kathleen Asher at 439-8137/8341.



Salamanca, Spain

Salamanca is located in the northwest portion of Spain, and is one of Spain's leading centers of learning and culture. PBCC and Colegio de Estudios Hispánicos cooperatively offer this total immersion program. It is much more than a series of intensive language classes, as students will live with a native Spanish-speaking family. Staying with local families offers a rich opportunity for exposure to the language and culture. For three weeks in the summer of 1994, PBCC sent 28 students to participate in the intensive Spanish language immersion program. Three or six credit hours were awarded for successful completion of course requirements.

The Colegio de Estudios Hispánicos has been teaching a Spanish immersion program since 1975 to young and old, from beginning through advanced levels, for individuals and groups. Its highly qualified, experienced teaching staff tailors the program to the specific needs and aptitude of the learner.

The chief goal is to improve listening and speaking skills in real-life situations. Conversation techniques, listening, pronunciation, vocabulary, current

idioms, grammar and other skills are learned through activities with Spanish-speaking guests in the classroom and with native speakers in their own communities. Films, structured conversational situations, role-playing and regular laboratory sessions are also incorporated into classes.



COLLEGE CONSORTIUM FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDIES

Through PBCC's membership in CCIS, students are able to travel to locations other than those sponsored entirely by the College. CCIS affiliated colleges and universities nationwide have programs in China, Colombia, Cyprus, Ecuador, England, France, Germany, Greece, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Jamaica, Japan, Mexico, Portugal, Spain and Switzerland.

Because this is a consortium effort, Palm Beach Community College could enroll as few as one person to attend, and they would be added to the nationwide group. However, they are enrolled as Palm Beach Community College students, and their transcripts will so indicate.

OTHER INTERNATIONAL DIMENSIONS OF PBCC

PBCC and Algonquin College of Applied Arts and Technology are partners in a joint agreement of academic affiliation. PBCC President Edward M. Eisey and Algonquin College of Applied Arts and Technology President Philip Killeen signed an agreement which was developed with assistance from PBCC's Florida-Canada Institute. The document designates Algonquin College, located in Nepean, Ontario, as a sister college to PBCC.

Both PBCC and Algonquin College are planning future exchange programs which offer multicultural experiences for students and faculty.

In the area of business and industry, the Florida-Canada Institute has participated as a

founding member of the Canadian-American Business Alliance. CABA is instrumental in working with both U.S. and Canadian businesses which have commercial interest in the other country.

If you have always wanted to travel but didn't know how, or where or what you would do when you got there, then PBCC has the solution-- viajar con nosotros, travel with us. The study-abroad programs are an incredible opportunity that have touched many lives. If you would like more information, call John Townsend, chairman of the International Education Committee, at 439-8009, and as they say in French,

Bon Voyage!

Cultural Calendar

APRIL 8 - MAY 21

Rooms: A Domestic View, Art Exhibit, PBCC Museum of Art, Tuesday - Sunday, noon - 5 p.m.; \$2 donation

APRIL 12

The Boys Choir of Harlem, PBCC Glades Campus, Dolly Hand Cultural Arts Center, 8 p.m., \$20

APRIL 13 - MAY 5

End of the Year Student Show, PBCC Central Campus Humanities Gallery, Mon.-Thurs., 8 a.m.-10 p.m., Fri., 8 a.m. - 5 p.m., free

APRIL 13

PBCC Ensembles Concert, PBCC Central Campus, Duncan Theatre, 7 p.m., free

APRIL 19

PBCC Concert Choir, PBCC Central Campus, Duncan Theatre, 8 p.m., free

APRIL 23

PBCC Symphony Orchestra and Jazz Trombone Ensemble, PBCC Central Campus, Duncan Theatre, 3 p.m. free

APRIL 29

Performing Arts Showcase, PBCC Central Campus, Duncan Theatre, 8 p.m., \$5

MAY 3

Christopher Plummer - A Word or Two Before You Go, PBCC Glades Campus, Dolly Hand Cultural Arts Center, 8 p.m., \$25

MAY 15 - JUNE 9

Palm Beach County Teachers Art Exhibit, PBCC Central Campus Humanities Gallery, Mon.-Thurs., 8 a.m.-10 p.m., free

MAY 26-27

No Solace In Goodbyes..., PBCC Eisey Campus Theatre, 8 p.m., \$20 & \$12

EMPLOYEE ACHIEVEMENTS

SHEILA E. BERTINO, director of college relations and marketing, was interviewed for an article in *Admissions Marketing Report*, a national magazine for colleges and universities. The article, which showcased PBCC, highlighted the College's past and current marketing efforts.

KATHLEEN BEY, Central Campus assistant professor of social science, along with the staff and children of the Center for Early Learning, was featured in a special news segment entitled *Child Care* which aired on WPEC Channel 12. Bey was also featured in a three-part special entitled *The Effects of Violence and Crime on Children*.

PBCC Director of Vocational Education **JAN BUSSELL** has been appointed to the Education/Training/Employment Committee of the Health and Human Services Board, District IX.

BOB COLE, coordinator of marketing operations and productions, was an invited lecturer at Amtsgymnasiet i Sønderborg, Denmark. Cole discussed the role of the American media in world news as well as the politics of AIDS.

JOHN CONNOLLY, Central Campus senior instructor of communications, published the article *A Progressive End: Arthur C. Clarke and Tielhand de Chardin* in the summer 1994 edition of *FOUNDATION: The Review of Science Fiction*.

PBCC Central Campus Culinary Instructor **DAN FONTENOT** participated in the Florida Restaurant Association's Foodservice Expo held at the Orange County Convention Center in Orlando.

ROBERT GERALDI, South Campus associate professor of communications, has been acknowledged as a consultant for his editing contribution to *Steps to a Better Understanding of Cancer*, a publication of the American Lung Association.

Glades Campus Senior Instructor of Communications **STEPHEN GIBSON** was awarded the 1994-1995 Individual Artists Fellowship for his poetry compositions.

South Campus Senior Instructor of Business **JIM GRAZIOSE** received the Outstanding Teacher Award from the Palm Beach County Teachers of Mathematics Association.

LYNDA GUEVREMONT, Eisey Campus learning specialist, earned an honorable mention award in the recent essay contest for developmental educators sponsored by Townsend Press.

NANCY McDONALD, Eisey Campus LLRC periodical librarian and adjunct astronomy instructor, recently published a book of her poetry, *Come With Me to Haiti*.

Eisey Campus Quality First Director **GREGORY C. McLAUGHLIN** received his doctorate in business administration from Nova-Southeastern University. His dissertation involved research on Service Quality Satisfaction

and Organizational Communication Effectiveness. He also recently received his International Quality Assurance Provisional Lead Assessor certificate.

MARY KELLY, Central Campus assistant professor of business, and **KIMBERLY CREEK**, senior instructor of business, participated in a workshop on the present state of office technology, hosted at the PBCC Central Campus. A total of 25 instructors, representing colleges and technical schools in southeast Florida and Georgia, attended the event.

CAROLYN MARTIN, Central Campus associate professor of communications, recently completed an international book-signing tour. She spoke at the Universities of London, Athens and Cyprus on incorporating mythology into fiction.

DAN O'CONNELL, Central Campus associate professor of political science, participated in a presentation entitled *Roundtable on Political Science in the Community College* at the American Political Science Association's annual convention held in New York City.

PBCC'S OFFICE OF COLLEGE RELATIONS AND MARKETING was the recipient of five awards from *Admissions Marketing Report*, the national newspaper of admissions marketing. PBCC earned first place (gold) honors in the category of Outdoor Transit, second place (silver) in Direct Mail Advertising, third place (bronze) for Annual Report and two merit awards for Magazine Ad Single and Newspaper Ad Series. CRM was also honored with a Paragon Award by the National Council for Marketing and Public Relations (NCMPR) for the 1994 *PBCC President's Report*. **SHEILA E. BERTINO**, **BOB COLE** and **JOAN HANEBERG** participated in the award-winning projects.

Palm Beach Community College South Campus Student Services Specialist **AINE FEELY** was awarded an Exemplary Practice Award at the Florida Association of Community Colleges (FACC) state convention. Her entry, *CLAST Awareness*, was chosen from 20 nominations throughout community colleges in Florida.



L-R: PBCC President Edward M. Eisey, South Campus Student Services Specialist Aine Feely and South Campus Dean of Student Services Harris McGirt are pictured at the award presentation.

\$40,000 Scholarship Dollars Earned For Palm Beach Community College



L-R: Pictured at the College's fund-raising gala are committee chair Margaret Donnelley, PBCC President Edward M. Eisey and co-chairs Lynn Eisey Ciklin and Kim Sellers.

A

cocktail reception, dinner and silent auction were held to raise scholarship dollars for Palm Beach Community College. Margaret Donnelley, chairman of *A Florida Jewel*, created a jungle atmosphere at the Breakers Hotel by bringing in African dancers, tom toms and jungle decor. Lynn Eisey Ciklin and Kim Sellers co-chaired the annual event.

More than 90 gifts were auctioned including an airplane ride, a Ralph Lauren handbag, a Tourneau watch and Baccarat crystal. The grand prize, a 1995 Jaguar XJ6, was won by Norm Ostrowski of Boca Raton and Jane Hunston and Mary Anne Ricci, both from Jupiter. The chairman of the auction was Steve Mathison of Palm Beach Gardens.

Attendees included the Thornton Donnelleys, Fran Luckoff, Donald and Marilyn Beuttenmuller, Mollie Seidenfeld, Cory and Kim Ciklin, Julian and Mildred Ciklin, Barbara Cole, Colonel and Mrs. Paul Akst, Dr. Robert Cooney, Admiral and Mrs. Thomas E. Morris, Tom Chastain, Lewis and Toby Keller, Barry Pinciss and Joanne Warshaver.

The committee included Martha Ahr, Mary Beall, Marilyn Beuttenmuller, Gwen Boykin, Susan Bradley, Beth Clarke, Marguerite Compiani, Rosemary Cooney, Faye Eisey, Gail Eisey, Linda Flynn, Det Gary, Shelley Hill, Jane Hunston, Gay Johansen, Lisa Kaye, Toby Keller, Barbara Marod, Carmen Newbolt, Bobbi Oppenheimer, Pattie Payne, Charlotte Pelton, Mary Anne Ricci, Patt Sned, Maria Stefan, Judith Tribby, Kathryn Vecellio, Carol Vogtman and Joanne Warshaver.

Vive La Lis

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specifications and grant administration. In 1978, Erling's achievements would again be recognized when she was promoted to the position of dean of special services.

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Throughout her 39-year career at PBCC (she has spent a total of 41 years working in education and is the only remaining PBCC staff member to have served with three presidents - John I. Leonard, Harold C. Manor and Edward M. Eissey), Erling has always gone the extra mile. She was a member of the advisory committees that established the College's nursing, medical assistant, occupational therapy assistant and international education programs.

Erling has also been a member of the Florida Association of Community Colleges (FACC) since 1956. She holds membership in Zonta International; was an honorary inductee into Phi Theta Kappa, Delta Omicron chapter; and was a member of the Palm Beach County Sports Hall of Fame.

In 1991, Erling was honored for her dedicated service to Palm Beach Community College and higher education when the *Elisabeth W. Erling Special Grant Program* was established. This scholarship fund bene-

fits PBCC students who demonstrate financial need and academic commitment.

Indeed, Erling knows a lot about commitment. She is the only remaining member of what she calls the original 26 faculty and staff at PBCC. Yet, while many of her colleagues have retired, they will always

proudly share in knowing that they were the brick layers, the foundation setters that allowed PBCC to prosper and grow into the four-campus academic institution it is today. (Recently, Erling was instrumental in the establishment of PBCC's newly chartered Emeritus Faculty Association.)

As the vice president of planning and information systems and PBCC's senior ranking staff member, Erling oversees PBCC's offices of college relations and marketing, data processing, institutional research and also coordinates the College's administrative wing of collective bargaining. Erling is also in charge of special-event planning and coordination, including the College's recent 60th anniversary celebration.

For all the time Erling invested in PBCC, many have often wondered whether or not she has a life outside of the well-manicured College grounds. Not to worry. Her husband T.J. has seen to that. The Erlings are avid trav-

elers and big game fish enthusiasts. In recent years, they have traveled to Europe (of course Lis loved Paris...it was almost like a homecoming... and there wasn't a guillotine in sight!) They've also fished off the Great Barrier Reef in Australia and could very well end up in Africa on their next bait and tackle jaunt.

Spain, Morocco and New Zealand's Tasmanian Glacier...there should be a sign that says: LIS WAS HERE!

Back when she was growing up amidst the wheat and corn-field splendor rolling across the Midwestern plains, Lis Erling always heard that idle hands were the devil's workshop. It was almost a credo that all mothers taught their children, a baptism of sorts where old wife's tales would be summoned up to supposedly insulate their offspring from picking the wrong road in life. Well, this native Nebraskan must have remembered her mother's words well.

With a professional career that can best be described as nothing short of spectacular, Lis Erling most definitely picked the right road in life. She overcame adversity and achieved success. She didn't quit when many would have thrown in the



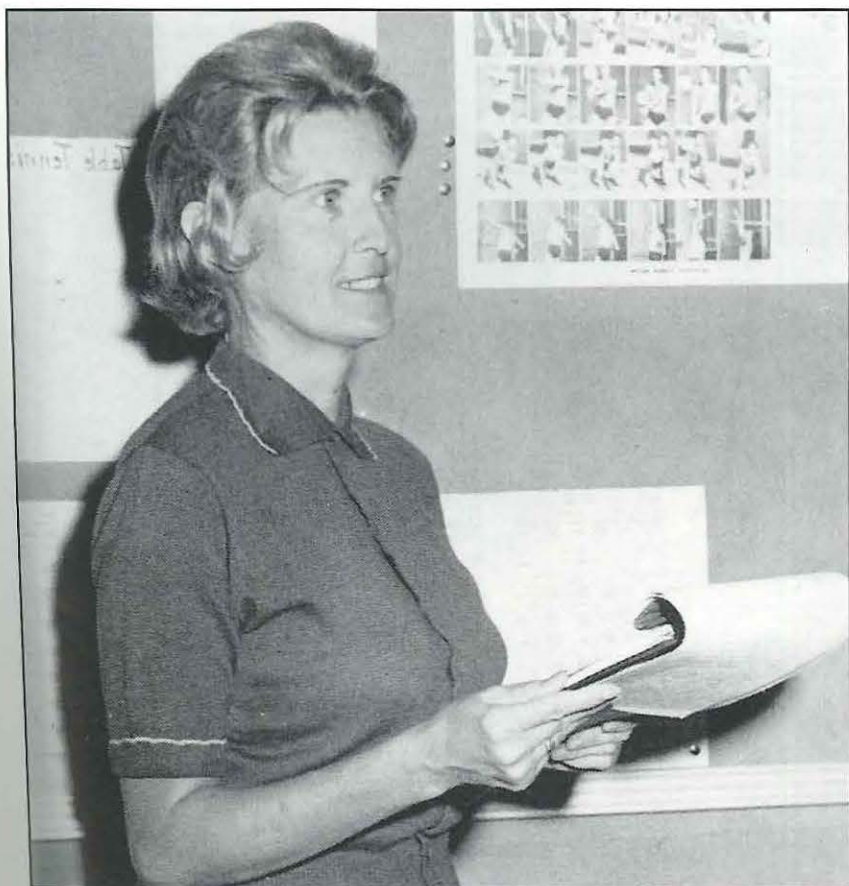
towel. She was determined to make it on her own. Not even a broken heart was going to break Lis Erling.

And as for the future? What's next in the saga of Lis Erling? One upcoming event holds particular distinction for our royal Lis. On April 26, she will be recognized when PBCC's Central Campus gymnasium is named in her honor.

But one thing is for certain...she won't be spinning her wheels waiting for something to happen...she'll make something happen. After all, while PBCC has been called one of the jewels in the crown of Florida's Community College System...there's no one more deserving to wear that crown than our own Miss Lis.

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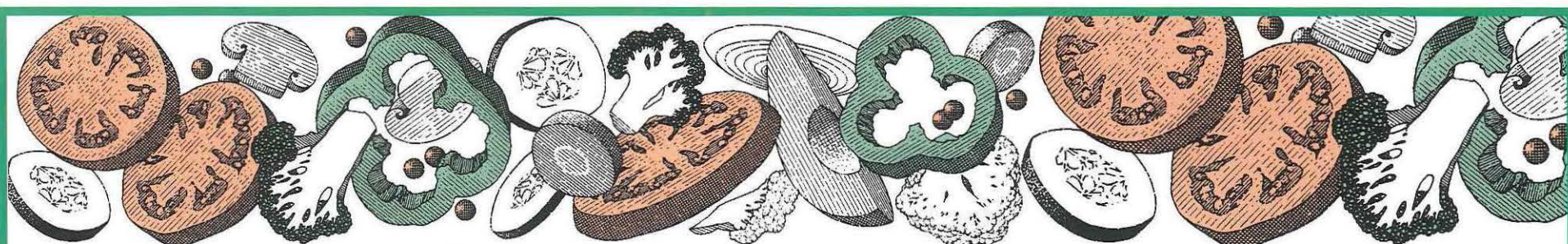


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Move over Julia Childs. Forget the Galloping Gourmet and bid farewell to the Green Grocer.

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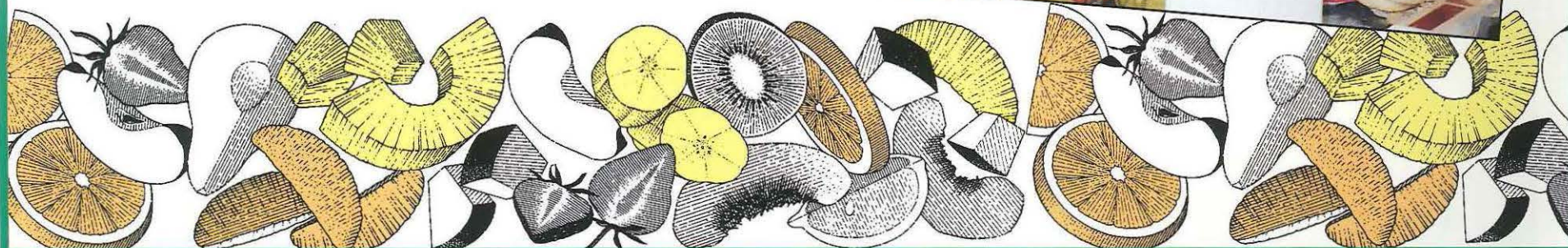
Palm Beach Community College began airing **WHAT'S COOKING AT PBCC** on April 3. The program is scheduled to run on **CHANNEL 20 EVERY MONDAY AT 7 P.M., WEDNESDAY AT 1 P.M. AND FRIDAY AT 9:30 A.M.** **WHAT'S COOKING AT PBCC** is designed to highlight the College's culinary program while offering a variety of cooking techniques. Co-hosts include PBCC Culinary Instructor and Chef Dan Fontenot, Director of College Relations and Marketing Sheila Bertino and Coordinator of Marketing Operations and Productions Robert Cole in addition to other guest hosts.

WHAT'S COOKING represents the College's second program entry on TV. In January 1993, PBCC premiered **PANTHER TRACKS**, also airing on Channel 20, to inform the local community about the College's programs and services.



TOP PHOTO: TOO MANY COOKS IN THE KITCHEN? NOT WHEN ONE OF THEM IS EISSEY CAMPUS DEAN OF ACADEMIC AFFAIRS CELESTE BECK WHO JOINED PBCC CHEF DAN FONTENOT AND COORDINATOR OF MARKETING OPERATIONS AND PRODUCTIONS BOB COLE AS GUEST HOST.

BOTTOM PHOTO, L-R: PBCC CHEF APPRENTICE WANNABES LAURA ANDERSON AND MATTHEW BERTINO HELPED STIR THINGS UP FOR THEIR COLLEGE MOMS, EISSEY CAMPUS DEAN OF STUDENT SERVICES PATTI ANDERSON AND DISTRICT COLLEGE RELATIONS AND MARKETING DIRECTOR SHEILA BERTINO.



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